

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of seven truly wondrous decades has passed since Thomas Legrew Jefferson lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Martha Anna Fisher, during a solemn ceremony on September 5, 1937, in Sumner, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the many years since that heavenly day, Thomas and Martha Jefferson have had the pleasure of raising three children, Jeannie Jefferson Baker, Leanna Jefferson McElwee (deceased), and Thomas Jefferson, Jr., and the privilege of spoiling nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Thomas Jefferson has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working at Mattingleys in Moberly; serving as manager of Mattingleys in Braymer, where he also owned a restaurant for thirty-seven years prior to his retirement; being a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club, the Masons, and the Order of the Eastern Star; and by serving as a Democratic Committeeman and Mayor of Braymer; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Martha Jefferson has further distinguished herself by working at a drug store in Moberly; helping run her husband's restaurant in Braymer for thirty-seven years; being a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Band Boosters, Baptist Women, the GFWC Tuesday Study Club, the Legion Auxiliary, the Pinochle Club, and the Bridge Club; and by serving as a Democratic Committeewoman; and

Whereas, Thomas and Martha Jefferson have also enjoyed recognition as members of the First Baptist Church and by serving as Grand Marshals of the Homecoming Parade; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson of Braymer commemorated the awe inspiring and truly magnificent occasion of their Seventieth Wedding Anniversary on September 5, 2007, at Oak Tree Square:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Thomas and Martha Jefferson and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Legrew Jefferson, as a measure of our tremendous esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker